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SUBJ: ABU DHABI PROCEEDING WITH LARGE POWER-WATER PROJECT

REF: ABU DHABI 899

1. BEGIN UNCLAS. ABU DHABI DEPARTMENT WATER AND ELECTRICITY (DWE) HAS INVITED APPROXIMATELY SIXTY INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES TO PURCHASE COMPLETE TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR POWER STATION AND DESALINATION PLANT AT OMM AN-NAR ISLAND NEAR ABU DHABI TOWN. TOTAL PROJECT COST (WITHOUT CIVIL WOKS) ESTIMATED ABOUT 700 MILLION DIRHAMS OR 180 MILLION DOLLARS.

2. PROJECT INVOLVES 4 X 60 MW STEAM TURBINES AND 4 X 4 MILLION GALLONS/DAY DESALINATION UNITS. TENDERERS MAY BID FOR ONE OR ALL OF FOLLOWING SECTIONS:

A. BOILERS

B. TURBINES

C. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

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D. DESALINATION PLANT

3. TENDER DOCUMENTS WENT ON SALE DEC. 19, 1974, AND CLOSING DATE OFFICIALLY MARCH 19, 1975. THIS DATE WILL PROBABLY BE EXTENDED. CONTRACT TO BE AWARDED AUTUMN 1975, AND FIRST TWO UNITS TO BE READY IN SPRING 1978. STKONN TPBQMLUITD
SREQ B WBAQW MONTHS LATER.

4. U.S. FIRMS INVITED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. BABCOCK-WILCOX USA, NEW YORK (FOR BOILERS)

B. COMBUSTION ENGINEERING, WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT

C. FOSTER WHEELER ENGINEERING, LIVINGSTON, NEW JERSEY

D. GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, NEW YORK (IN COMBINATILF WITH
I ACQTCHAUTPFROX SPAIN FOR DESALINATION PLANT)

E. WESTINGHOUSE, NEW YORK

F. ENVIROGENICS, CALIFORNIA (FOR DESALINATION PLANT)

ALL THE ABOVE FIRMS EXCEPT ENVIROGENICIS HAVE RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO INVITATION.

5. THIS TENDER IS FIRST STAGE FOR VERY LARGE POWER AND WATER PROJECT FOR OMM AN-NAR ISLAND. EVENTUAL OUTPUT OF THIS STATION TO BE 900 MW WITH DESALINATION CAPACITY OVER 30 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY. END UNCLASSIFIED.

6. BEGIN LOU: SHAIKH SOROUR, CHAIRMAN OF DWE, HAS INSTRUCTED CONSULTANTS NOT TO SELL TENDER DOCUMENTS TO BABCOCK-WILCOX BECAUSE OF FAULTY PERFORMANCE OF THEIR STEAM YBUBBIM-DESALARATION UNIT IN ABU DHABI. ALTHOUGH SOROUR'S WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS WERE NOT SPECIFIC, CONSULTANT HAS APPLIED THIS ORDER ONLY TO B-W COMPANY, SUPPLIER OF ORIGINAL UNIT, AND NOT TO B-W OF OTHER NATIONALITIES. END LOU.
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